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SANITATION AND HEALTH.

Dr. Fagan's report on the sanitary condition of Victoria has drawn attention to matters which have often been pondered over by thoughtful citizens. Only in communities where the sanitary appliances are up-to-date can the health of the individual be considered as surrounded by the safeguards which the scientific attainments of the nineteenth century have placed at the disposal of humanity. Victoria is undoubtedly one of the most favorably situated places in the universe for the production of healthy specimens of the race. Naturally, because of our environment, we should be comparatively immune from the germs which prey upon the human body, but we have ourselves brought about conditions which have to some extent set at naught such natural provisions. Some of the features which render Victoria attractive make it difficult to keep her up to the times municipally. Like the Englishman whose house is his castle, we prefer to have our domain surrounded by plenty of ground. The consequence is that we lack the compactness which so materially contributes to facility in paving and severing our streets. Our city is spread over a large area. There is no indication that there will be any change in this respect for many years to come, and the only course is for us to take up the burden we have placed on our shoulders and trudge along with it as manfully as may be. The more densely populated portions of the city must be sewered and the people who are so obtuse as not to take advantage of the privilege conferred upon them must be compelled, for the protection of themselves and their households and the households of their neighbors, to connect their premises with the drains. The case of those who by reason of affluence, or for any purpose, have taken up positions of isolation, must be left to the discretion of the council. At the present time to connect all the houses in the city with sewers is out of the question, but when the necessity for all possible precautions has been made obvious by the report of the provincial health officer probably the owners of many residences may be impressed by the consideration that modern sanitary science has decreed that certain precautions shall be taken before a house can be said to be habitable.

The question raised by Dr. Fagan as to the treatment bestowed upon vegetables by Chinese market gardeners is not a new one either. The agitation of a few years ago had died out, probably because it was thought that the evil had been stilled and less disgusting measures to induce growth resorted to. But the Chinaman, like all true conservatives, is hard to turn from the ways in which his ancestors have walked for perhaps thousands of years. It is no easy matter to compete with him in business either, as many who have tried it have found out. And yet competition seems to be the only means of abating that evil. Why white market gardeners should not do a large business in Victoria is one of those things which no

fellow but the one who has tried the experiment can understand. Very few people will buy from Chinamen if they can get the vegetables they require from white men, no matter what the difference in price may be. Yet the white people of Victoria are conservative in their ways also, and it is difficult to induce them to step aside from the rut in which they have been in the habit of travelling and resort to the methods in vogue in other places for procuring vegetables. But that there is a demand here for goods produced by white men there is not a bit of doubt. That demand is increasing with the passage of the years, and we are not without hope that a way of satisfying it will yet be found. There is plenty of good land around Victoria for such purposes. Some of these days it will be occupied and yielding its fruits, greatly to the benefit of the bodily health and the business activity of the community.

PARTY POLITICS IN MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS.

Yesterday was municipal election day in Ontario, and although as a general thing the people of this province are kept busy attending to their own affairs, there are certain features connected with the contest in Toronto which are of national interest. Mr. McLean, editor of the "Evening Telegram" for "East Toronto" and one of the strong men who would be leader of the Conservative party, thought it would be well to run the Majority election on party lines, and he did his best to have his ideas adopted. There was nothing for the party to lose because of this unique proposal, but there was a great deal for Mr. Maclean to gain in prestige. Toronto is a Conservative city, and it elected Mr. Howland, a Conservative, its chief magistrate. Conservatives have been furnished with another illustration of the power of Mr. Maclean, and that gentleman has taken another step upwards towards the seat that has never been filled since the day Sir John Macdonald died. Other candidates for the honor of filling that vacant chair will groan and gnash their teeth, but the city of Toronto will be the chief sufferer. It has elected an incompetent, an impractical man and a dreamer to an office which should be filled by a man of affairs, a man conversant from long experience with the needs of the community and the true interests of the people whose welfare will to a large extent be in his hands for the next year. Ald. Spence, the man for the position by experience and capacity, was rejected, and the way paved for an era of manipulation and corruption by corporations which has been characteristic of all places in which Toryism has reared its head. Mr. Howland is a good fellow, and well connected, you know, and people who have not the faculty of looking very closely into the origin of currents and movements assisted the work of the schemer by voting for him. The Socialist candidate only received 224 votes, but the world moves in the East too, as public opinion in Toronto has been shown to favor the municipal ownership of lighting plants and other monopolies.

RUSSIA DOTH PROTEST.

In an interview published in an American paper one of the leading statesmen and diplomats of Russia protests against the treatment which is being accorded to China by the great powers. This protest seems to have been vastly pleasing to many of our American contemporaries, who see nothing incongruous in the representative of a nation which has just completed the absorption of a whole province of the country it pleads for giving utterance to such a statement. This phenomenon may be accounted for very easily if we keep the fact in mind that Russia has long been an ally of the United States and that they are supposed to be acting in concert in China, although we confess we cannot understand how they can pull together much longer in view of the belief of American statesmen that the integrity of the moribund empire should be maintained at all hazards and the door for the entrance of commerce be kept permanently open. We can assure our neighbors that they will speedily find the avenues of trade in Manchuria closed to all business save that of Russia unless a great change has come over the spirit of the dreams of the Muscovite.

The statesman and diplomat interviewed also laments that the resolutions passed at the late conference at The Hague should so speedily have been shown to be without virtue in preventing the slaughter of human beings in strife engendered by the ambitions of individuals. Practically all the world shares in his grief, no part of it feeling more acutely on the subject than the nation which was left with no other alternative than to defend its territory from invasion. If it were practicable for all the powers to arrive at an agreement which would preclude the possibility of war in the future none would be found readier to abide by its provisions than Great Britain. Much of the territory she has become possessed of passed into her hands in spite of herself. It seems to have been ordained from the beginning that it should be so and that there could be no shrinking of responsibility. If the Russians are sincere in their protestations let them make to the powers a proposition that under no circumstances

shall there be any more war; that guns and swords shall be turned into implements for the benefit rather than the extermination of mankind; that soldiers and vessels shall be turned into the peaceful pursuits of commerce and that all boundaries as at present fixed shall remain so for all time and that the inheritance of the feeble shall not be wrested from them by violence by the strong. That would be a more reasonable course to take than to call the nations together in conference for the purpose of making rules ostensibly for ameliorating the horrors of war, rules which there are no means of enforcing and which it is fully understood may be broken as the exigencies of the case require.

ENTERPRISING SEATTLE.

It is extraordinary sometimes, when you come to think of it, the way in which the forces of nature seem to come to the assistance of those who try with all their might to push their own fortunes. Take the case of the enterprising city of Seattle. It had been negotiating for some time with Andrew Carnegie (the American millionaire from the Land of Cakes who considers it would be a heinous offence to die rich and who seems to be unable to get rid of his worldly goods) to make a donation bearing some proportion to the amount of his wealth to erect a new public library. The iron master was willing, but the city did not think he was willing enough and was disposed to haggle about the size of the sum he offered it. To give sent the proceedings the old library building, seeing that its usefulness was gone, became inflamed with anger and burned itself up. The thing could not have happened more opportunely if it had been set on fire. Cities which are not in the habit of becoming worked up to such a fever heat over the fleeting affairs of this world will now probably be convinced of the futility of trying to compete with the bustling Sound city.

Whittaker's Almanac for 1901 explains that more than six hundred officers of the British army and the colonial contingents had been killed in action, or died of their wounds or disease in the South African campaign up to the 1st of November. It has been a deadly struggle for both sides, but in proportion to their numbers the British officers were the greatest sufferers. The employment of more sensible tactics after some experience lessened the slaughter to some extent, but the advice from the seat of war proved that the officer still occupies the post of danger.

How some of the said and slow-going readers of the Colonist must stare and gasp as they scan its editorial columns in these days of expansion. It wants pavements and sewers and new schools and lands reclaimed and bridges built and wages increased all round and goodness knows what all just as badly as the man who does not own a foot of real estate. Times have indeed changed, but we cordially welcome our contemporary into the ranks of the enterprising, merely warning it to beware of the heresies of the radicals.

Mr. G. B. Hardy, of Oakville, sends the following to the Globe:

Prince Edward Island.
Not A Socialist.
New Brunswick.
Ontario.
Manitoba.
Quebec.
British Columbia.

Using one letter only out of the name of each province, it will be found impossible to spell Tupper, Foster, MacDonald or Montague, showing clearly that they are not the right men to rule Canada.

In the United States the law is broadening out from precedent to precedent. The latest creation in this line is the recovery by the widow of a lynched man of \$4,000 from the sheriff who should have protected him from the fury of the mob. This opens up a new phase of the operations of the popular United States judge known as Mr. Lynch. We have not yet heard of any part of the mobs which are so numerous over there being reached yet.

Those who were disposed to place Emperor William of Germany in the class of feather-brains and visionaries are in danger of being compelled to revise their opinions. He is pushing his subjects along in great haste. In his case the power is not behind but upon the throne.

HE THAT SEEKS FINDS.

The New York Nation says that a majority of the American senators can see nothing in the Panama Canal but an instrument of war, and that their whole view of the case is thus distorted. It quotes Mr. Goldwin Smith as saying that if you think of war, if you talk of war, if you prepare for war, you will get war.

WHAT'S WANTED IN AFRICA.

Hobeyce Independent.
The war office has decided that Khaki is too prominent a color, and is to adopt a greyish fawn stuff. A new headgear is also adopted. Invisibility would certainly be useful at times, but what is needed most in Africa is a new style of head.

AFTERTHOUGHT.

Philadelphia North American.
If we force Europe to duplicate an American "trust" we shall probably find it necessary to invest \$200,000,000 in warships to guard our own canal and to prevent the enemy from using the other route.

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HYMN OF VICTORY.

A. C. Singer, Master at Eton College.

Praise the Lord; to-day we raise
Hymns of thankfulness and praise.
After sorrow's night forlorn
Brightly breaks a joyful morn.
For our soldiers' duty done,
For our triumph nobly won,
Lift your hearts with one accord,
Life your hearts, and praise the Lord!

God send us, God send us,
From the seed in hatred sown,
Harvest time of fair increase,
Freedom, brotherhood and peace.
For the joy that springs from tears,
For the hope of coming years,
Lift your hearts with one accord,
Life your hearts, and praise the Lord!

ITALIAN ANARCHISM.

While King Ferdinand II was reviewing his troops at Naples on the 8th of December, 1893, one of the soldiers, a Neapolitan, named Agostino Milano, dashed from the ranks and inflicted a wound on his sovereign with a bayonet thrust. A few days after the attempt his author was sentenced to death and executed. Not many years elapsed before Naples paid great honors to the rigidly disciplined: a monument to Agostino Milano was actually erected, and King Victor Emmanuel was present at its inauguration. An Italian general, Mariano d'Adamo, pompously described the would-be murderer as "a hero unsurpassed in ancient or modern times, superior to Brutus, Scævola, and to others of equal fame; a heroic man who, inflexible judge of a corrupt age, alone was capable of conceiving so heroic a design"—namely that of assassinating King Ferdinand II.

Italy has been as generous with her admiration and applause to Felice Orsini as she was to Agostino Milano, and, indeed, to all the long list of regicides who, up to 1890, labored under the delusion that they could bring about the unity and independence of their country by steering it with the corpses of murdered princes. When we remember that more than one-third of the 120 regicides committed during this century in Europe and America were the work of Italians, we feel no surprise at the fact that Italy has never really created the strange misshapen popular sentiment has gone as far as to place them on the pedestal of a Brutus. These struggles for political unity, stimulated by the detritus of classical lore which stagnates in the breast of the Italians, have brought them to tolerate, if not openly to glorify, political crime. Cesare Lombroso, Enrico Ferri, R. Laschi, and other leading representatives of the Italian school of criminal jurisprudence, have raised the popular sympathy for political crime to the rank and dignity of a scientific theory; for, in their opinion, such crimes represent a "social function," and are not infrequently symptoms of progress and harbingers of public utility. A nation in whose eyes the murderer of a sovereign is more than justified by the fact that the tyrant's description, "a negation of God," is the natural source from which spring the assassins of Sadi Carnot, of Canovas del Castillo, of the Empress of Austria, of King Humbert, whose governments are constantly accused by opposition papers of being infinitely worse than the old regimes of the beginning of the century.—The Contemporary Review.

IN POLAR REGIONS.

If I were to stand up in two words the things which in Polar regions bring about the greatest amount of suffering, I would say humidity and isolation. We try in every possible way, in the cut of our garments, in the construction of our winter quarters, and in the arrangement of our sleeping apartments, to eliminate moisture, but our success is small. If we drop our hands behind our beds a weight of frost falls with a metallic clink. If the mattress is removed every nail is found to be covered with ice. Both Racovitz and Danco vow that they have icebergs as bed-fellows, and when one goes between-decks there is always sufficient frost falling down one's back to keep up a warm volley of words. If we could only get rid of this infernal humidity which plagues and follows us like an agent of Satan, and if we could take a run to a civilized town once monthly, so that we might absorb a new train of thought, life would be bearable. Certainly the cold is not a cause of serious suffering in the Antarctic, for I have shivered more in New York—Friedrich Cook, in "Through the First Antarctic Night."

The Ketworth chestnut, near Gloucester, England, was a boundary tree in King Stephen's reign, and is spoken of as an old tree in the annals of King John's reign. It measures 38 feet in circumference.

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Under a New Name

Merchants' Bank of Halifax Is Now Known as Royal Bank of Canada.

The New Issue of Notes—A Difficult Task For Counterfeiters.

The Montreal Gazette of December 29th contained the following: "The Royal Bank of Canada," the name which is so soon to succeed that of the Merchants' Bank of Halifax, will take its place in the financial world on the morning of Wednesday, the second of January next. The name which has been selected by the directors and ratified by the parliament of Canada, is one quite in keeping with the importance of the institution which has made such rapid progress in the race for financial pre-eminence. But it is the name of the institution only that is changed for the identity of the bank remains the same as when those solid Nova Scotia business men secured its charter thirty-one years ago. On the 2nd of January, 1901, the customers of the bank in question will find that all traces of the old name, honored in Canadian banking circles though it may have been, has disappeared, and on the stationery, in the windows, in the ledgers, and on the crisp new notes will appear the more national name of the "The Royal Bank of Canada."

The new notes of the "The Royal Bank of Canada" will be of the usual denominations of \$5, \$10, \$20, \$50, and \$100, and their design is of the most artistic character. The artist and the printer have succeeded in producing a note for the Royal Bank of Canada that renders the successful issue of spurious notes by photography quite impossible. The green and yellow colors, so common on old bills, and so easily reproduced by clever photography, have been discarded, and replaced by colors so sensitive and delicate in their nature that the best attempt at counterfeiting will certainly divulge the fraud. The notes which the Royal Bank of Canada will put in circulation on the second day of the new year resemble a French or Brazilian bill, rather than any bank paper yet issued in this country. The chief of "The Royal Bank" was secured in 1859; the first directors being William Cunard, James B. Duffus, T. C. Kinnear, Thos. E. Kenny, Michael Dwyer and E. Smith. Mr. Kinnear was the first president, and being succeeded on the 25th of June, 1870, by Mr. Thos. E. Kenny, the last named gentleman, has been president ever since.

The present board of directors consists of Thos. E. Kenny, president; Thos. Ritchie, vice-president; Hon. David Mackenzie, Willy Smith and H. G. Bauld, with two seats vacant, caused by the death of Mr. Michael Dwyer, of the well known firm of John Tobin & Co., and Hon. H. H. Patterson, M. P., of the Nova Scotia capital. The beginning of the bank was comparatively small, but it grew up with the province in which it was located, and having overstepped the boundaries of that little, but wealthy province, "The Royal," with its present paid up capital of \$2,000,000, surplus of \$1,700,000, and its 41 branches now stands abreast of the leading institutions of old Canada. In 1857, the bank opened a branch in Montreal under the management of Mr. E. L. Pease, who, after a most successful career, became joint general manager early in 1860, and on the 1st of January, 1900, was appointed general manager of the entire bank.

The banking fraternity also speak in the most eulogistic terms of the Royal's new local manager, Mr. C. S. Hoare, who brings to the bank all that valuable experience gained during his seventeen or eighteen years successful management of the Imperial Bank at Winnipeg. Mr. Hoare, who will enter upon his duties in the prime of life, and is an able and prudent banker, and those who know, declare that he will be pre-eminently the right man in the right place.

MARCH ON TREE TOPS.

The former Amazons, an army of female fighters of Ashantee, have their counterpart in the matter of peculiarity in every army of to-day save the British. Norway has a highly-trained corps of skaters who skim the ice at the rate of eight miles an hour. They can perform their evolutions with greater agility than a cat, and, being obedient to the nature of their skates, to spin right about as a pivot when dashing forward at their greatest speed. New Grenada has a special corps of hill-climbers, who march on both hands and feet, thus being able to ascend almost perpendicular hillsides. When one tribe of Central

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Prices, \$1.00, 75c, 50c, and 25c. Sale of seats opens on Saturday morning at the Victoria Book and Stationery Store.

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DRESSMAKING—Mrs. Russell has resumed business at 123-125 Fort Street. Orders promptly executed at moderate prices. Evening work a specialty.

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VICTORIA COLUMBIA LODGE, No. 1, meet every Thursday in every month at Masonic Temple, Douglas Street, at 7.30 p.m. O. D. Secretary.

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WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Jan. 8.—5 a. m.—Another high barometer, accompanied by a cold wave, has appeared over Northern British Columbia. This, in conjunction with an ocean low area off the coast, has caused a heavy snowfall over more northern parts of this island and on the lower Mainland, where New Westminster has had another foot. On the Straits of Georgia blinding snowstorms are reported. Navigation is being seriously impeded. The temperature has again fallen to 18 below zero at Barkerville.

Forecasts.

For 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Wednesday. Victoria and vicinity—Northerly winds, generally fair and cold.

Lower Mainland—Winds mostly northerly, partly fair and cold, with light snowfalls.

Reports.

Victoria—Barometer, 29.83; temperature, 27; minimum, 27; wind, 16 miles N.; snow, 10; weather, snow.

New Westminster—Barometer, 29.88; temperature, 20; minimum, 20; wind, calm; snow, 1.00; weather, cloudy.

Kamloops—Barometer, 30.14; temperature, 10; minimum, 8; wind, calm; snow, trace; weather, fair.

Barkerville—Barometer, 30.20; temperature, 16 below; minimum, 18 below; wind, calm; weather, clear.

San Francisco—Barometer, 30.10; temperature, 50; minimum, 44; wind, 4 miles S. W.; rain, .06; weather, fair.

CITY NEWS IN BRIEF.

See "White Pinnacles" Philharmonic Hall, to-night.

Job lot of cross-cut saws to be sold at less than half price. Shore's Hardware.

The Delmonico Music Hall presents this week extraordinary attractions. The new artists are Ed. Lowry, Norma Raymond, Maudie Davis and Reta Gardner.

Fresh Oysters Daily from our own beds at Sooke. Price, per sack, \$4.25; per gallon, \$3.00; per quart, 75c. New England Hotel.

The Attorney-General has notified the official stenographer of the Supreme court that he may consider the system by which the stenographer retained the fees for transcripts restored as of the 1st January. Transcripts of cases will now be obtained by the stenographer direct instead of, as for some time past, from the Supreme court registry.

The death occurred yesterday morning at the St. Joseph's hospital of Michael O'Connell, who has for some time been an invalid. Mr. O'Connell was an old man and participated in the rush to Carleton in 1862 and 1863. He returned to the city recently after having drifted over a greater part of the United States, and had been maintained by the city ever since at the St. Joseph's hospital. The funeral took place this morning from the parlors of W. J. Hanna at 3.30, and after from the Roman Catholic cathedral. The religious service was conducted by Rev. Father Althoff.

Stylish suggestions in Smoking Jackets direct from Broadway, New York. Nothing to equal them in the city. S. Reid Co., 122 Government Street.

Seattle is to have perhaps the finest public library on the Pacific coast, to replace the one destroyed by fire on the morning of January 2nd. The city authorities having indicated their willingness to purchase a site and guarantee \$50,000 annually for maintenance, the fact was brought to the attention of Andrew Carnegie, the millionaire iron and steel magnate and philanthropist. He promptly wired back that he admired the city's pluck and would provide \$200,000 for a building, adding that the city must be sure to have spare grounds about the building for future additions.

Although the results of the recent examinations of the class of officers and men from the Fifth Regiment which wrote on an examination at Work Point a short time ago will not be disclosed until promulgated in orders, it is understood that the class has been rather unfortunate. Only five out of the seventeen who wrote secured first class certificates, and nine second class certificates. This rating, however, was on a somewhat different schedule of percentages than has been employed hitherto. In the case of the department adhering to the former percentages, as seems likely, all of the class will pass, and the number securing first class certificates will be very largely increased.

Trifle with that cold, it might lead to consumption; now is the time to stop it. See Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Cough Cure. It is a sure specific and affords instant relief. 50c a bottle, at FAWCETT'S DRUG STORE, 40 Government St.

Scissors, table and pocket cutlery, razors, etc. Shore's Hardware.

Everybody gets a Footwarmer and a "Paw Ticket" at Philharmonic Hall to-night.

You will find it in the B. C. Guide, 5c per copy, 50c per year, in all book stores in B. C.

Tom, a West Coast Indian, and Robt. Stevens were fined as drunks in the police court this morning.

The case of Smith vs. Empress of Japan was set for this morning in Chambers to settle security. It was adjourned until Friday.

In Chambers this morning Mr. Justice Martin made absolute the decree for divorce in the case of Gales vs. Gales. The application was made by H. Barnard.

The Victoria High school have in attendance this term 130, divided among the different classes as follows: Matriculation, 5; Intermediate, 25; junior A, 22; junior B, 35; and junior C, 43.

The quarantine on Nanaimo having been lifted, passenger traffic over the E. & N. line between Victoria and the Black Diamond city is now carried on without the vaccination regulations having to be complied with.

Mr. J. Jeffcott has been appointed chief engineer at the dry dock in place of A. Muir, deceased. Mr. Jeffcott was promoted to report to Superintendent Devereaux yesterday, and will assume his new duties at once.

Selecting Christmas presents is always a difficulty. Kodaks and finishing outfits make appropriate gifts. We have them, for beginners, from \$1.00. Best quality kodaks, \$8.00 to \$25.00. Fleming Bros., 52 Government street.

The British Columbia Marine Engineers' Association held their annual meeting yesterday, when the following officers were elected for the ensuing term: Mr. Jeffcott, president; Mr. McGraw, vice-president; Mr. McNiven, secretary; Mr. Cullen, treasurer.

See Lowry and Raymond, Mazie Davis and Beta Gardner—at the Delmonico Music Hall to-night.

J. R. Robbins, an expressionist, appeared in the police court this morning to answer two charges, one of being drunk, and another of assault. In attempting to arrest him he had attacked Constable Conlin with his whip. The police magistrate made the fine light, as Robbins had been less frequently before him of late than formerly.

The Moving Sidewalks and the Swiss Village from the Paris Exposition are still drawing crowds daily at the "Searchlight," 42 Fort St. Don't fail to see this programme. Open daily 1.30 to 5, and 6.30 to 10. For ladies, children and gentlemen, admission 10c. Don't let the cold weather keep you from seeing one of the best programmes that has been on at the "Searchlight."

To-day a very tedious case is up in the police court. Thomas Netis, a Greek, and Wm. Thomson, of the Germania saloon, are the principals in the case, which is one in which counter charges of having taken money on New Year's morning are made. Mr. F. Gregory appears for Thomson and Mr. Frank Higgins for Netis. The necessity of using an interpreter is making the case a very wearisome one.

The annual meeting of the Ministerial Association was held yesterday afternoon. Among the business transacted was the election of Rev. Dr. Wilson to act as president for the present year, and the Rev. J. F. Vichert to occupy the position of secretary. A hearty vote of thanks was tendered the retiring officers, Rev. J. G. Hastings and Rev. J. D. Knox. Other business that came up for discussion before the adjournment of the meeting were matters relating to the improvement of the moral condition of the city.

A discount of twenty-five per cent. to cash customers on all Youths' and Boys' Suits during this week, at the S. Reid Co., 122 Government Street.

The Charnier this morning carried a party of embryo teachers who have gone to Vancouver to take the first term of the Normal school. The party was composed as follows: Misses Fanny Forbes Whyte and Catherine Chipman, admitted as associates in arts of McGill university; Misses Mabel Davey, Irene Ure and Elsie Shrapnel, holders of teachers' certificates; and Misses Una Nicholles, Lena Sexsmith, Mabel Clarke, Laura Simpson, Dora Crawford, Colona Black, Eleanor Loat, Louisa Carter, Mabel Holt, and Fanny Strachan and Leonard Sprague.

THE INDIAN AWARDS.
Compensation Money Will Be Paid Over as Soon as Possible.

A. W. Vowell, superintendent of the Indian department, who has just returned from a trip to the Mainland, says that the compensation money, which the department of marine and fisheries placed at the disposal of his department for distribution among the Indians entitled to the same because of illegal seizures in Behring sea several years ago, will be duly awarded as soon as possible. At present the Indian department's agent on the West Coast is engaged making out a list of those to whom the money will be paid, and as soon as this is complete the money will be turned over.

There is in all about \$3,400 of the money, and each claimant on receipt of his check will be obliged to sign off his title in the presence of a white witness. The work, however, of perfecting the list referred to involves a great deal of trouble, and the matter therefore of distributing the awards has been somewhat delayed.

Mr. Vowell reports that the health of the Indians in the Upper Country is exceptionally good, considering that they have had an open winter. In fact, he says, the health of the Indians all over the province has been splendid.

War Office Has No Plans

Fred Peters, Q.C., Declares His Search for Official Documents There Fruitless.

More Technical Argument by Counsel in the Deadman's Island Case.

On the resumption of the hearing of the Deadman's Island case yesterday afternoon, argument was continued between counsel in regard to the admissibility of portions of witness Howes' evidence.

Taking the stand, the witness stated that in the map which was mentioned by him in the evidence of the forenoon, Stanley Park was marked red, indicating that it was a military reserve. Deadman's Island was also marked in red, but had not the words "military reserve" across it, merely the letter "R," indicating that it was an integral part of the reserve marked on the ground now occupied by Stanley Park.

It was, however, red all over within its boundaries.

Tracings were made from these plans and were signed by Col. Moody, not as a military commander but as chief commissioner of lands and works for the province. This was in the latter part of 1893. Two other colors were employed on the map—blue for naval reserves and brown for townships.

Mr. Peters then proceeded to question the witness regarding conversations he had with Col. Moody in regard to the reserve in question, but objection was immediately taken by Mr. Duff, who claimed that Col. Moody was not a disinterested party. Mr. Peters' question: "Did you have any conversation with Col. Moody in regard to military reserves?" was ruled out by the court.

The cross-examination of the witness was then undertaken by Mr. Duff, in reply to whom the witness stated that naval reserves were made at English Bay, Granville and Port Moody. There was a letter book kept in the office, and in this were copies of letters sent to the inspector of fortifications showing the reserves which were made. He saw a similar letter book in the office of Mr. Lomas, clerk of the lands and works department, about 1894.

The court then adjourned until to-day.

To-day's Proceedings.

On resuming this morning the cross-examination of Mr. Howes was resumed by Mr. Duff. Witness stated that he was in the office of the Lands and Works from its inception—first in a military, and then in a civil capacity, as clerk of records. The index plan corresponded with the chart.

Marked in brown, indicating their reserve as townships, were Granville and Hastings. At English Bay there was a naval reserve. Stanley Park was marked in red, and to the best of his belief had the words "military reserve" across it. It was at least proved a military reserve by the reference in the index. All military reserves were marked in red.

He believed also that there was a list of these maps kept. Any military would certainly be made of all the plans in the office at the time Col. Moody left. He resigned his office in 1878.

In reply to Mr. Peters the witness said that when he said that all military reserves were marked in red, he was speaking of the practice in the office when he was there, and especially under Col. Moody.

Mr. Peters here asked if Mr. Duff had searched for or found a letter from Col. Moody to Governor Douglas, and dated about 1893, covering an enclosure, being maps of reserves in the neighborhood of Barkerville.

Mr. Duff replied that a thorough search disclosed the non-existence of such a document.

He further held that Mr. Peters should not ask for secondary evidence unless he could show that he had searched for the same evidence without success in the records of the Inspector-General of Fortifications in England.

Mr. Peters gave his assurance that he had made such a search through the Dominion government, and the records were not obtainable. They seemed to have disappeared the same as some of the records in the Crown Lands department had.

Asked to file an official letter setting out these facts, Mr. Peters stated that he would do so at a later stage.

In reply to the court, witness stated that there were two letter books kept—one containing correspondence with the Governor, and the other containing military and private correspondence between Col. Moody and officers and others in England. The latter portion was torn out by Col. Moody on his return to England.

Mr. Bodwell here asked that portion of the last witness' evidence relating to the transmission of a plan to the Governor and Inspector-General of Fortifications be stricken out, a proper foundation not having been laid for its reception.

Mr. Peters objected, and said that there was no practice in this court permitting the striking out of evidence.

The point was reserved.

Mr. Peters then once more attempted to have Turner's notes put in evidence, claiming that the evidence of the last witness forbade precluding them.

To-night services for the week of prayer will be held in the Congregational church and Knox Presbyterian. The subject will be "The Church Universal." Rev. J. G. Hastings and Rev. E. S. Rowe will be the speakers in the Congregational church, and Rev. R. Hughes and Rev. J. P. Hicks will speak in Knox church.

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Personal.

C. Rector, of White Horse, who arrived from the North some time ago and has been making a tour of some of the cities of California, arrived in the city the other day and is staying at the Victoria hotel. It is probable that he will leave for the North on the next steamer.

Thomas Bradbury, a well-known contractor, who was formerly a resident of Victoria, is in the city making arrangements for the supply of building material to be used in the construction of the new post office at Rossland.

Miss L. Edwards, of White Horse, is a guest at the Victoria hotel. Miss Edwards while at White Horse sprained her ankle and it was not set correctly. She was forced to come to this city to receive proper treatment.

Capt. Gilmore, who piloted the ship Holm Maru from Seattle here on her way to the Orient, and F. M. Studley, of the G. N. Railway in Seattle, are registered at the Victoria hotel.

The Misses Wesley, of Esquimalt, after paying a short visit to Mr. and Mrs. Taylor, of Wellington, arrived in the city the other day.

G. W. Brewster, a cannery man of Vancouver, and J. H. Friend, of Whistler, are staying at the Dominion hotel.

W. B. Lee, representing an insurance firm of Seattle, is in the city. He is a guest at the Dominion hotel.

Rev. D. Dunlop, of Nanaimo, and F. Western, also of Nanaimo, are staying at the New England hotel.

C. B. Macneil, of Davis, Marshall & Macneil, barristers, Vancouver, is a guest at the Strand hotel.

Mrs. Koenig, wife of the proprietor of the Shalvigan Lake hotel, is staying at the Victoria hotel.

Mrs. Kane, accompanied by her daughters, will leave on a trip East this evening.

Geo. H. Grant, a travelling agent of Vancouver, is registered at the Dominion hotel.

E. J. Corry, of the C. P. R., arrived from the Mainland last evening.

Mrs. Hastings and son came over from the Sound this morning.

E. W. McLean, of Vancouver, is registered at the Victoria hotel.

C. T. Godfrey, of Kamloops, is at the Victoria hotel.

M. DESCHANEL RE-ELECTED.

Will Serve Another Term as President of French Chamber of Deputies.

(Associated Press.)

Paris, Jan. 8.—Parliament re-assembled to-day. Great animation was manifested on the floor of the chamber of deputies, and the tribunes were crowded. M. Paul Deschanel, president of the chamber since the beginning of the present parliament, was re-elected. The vote stood 296 for M. Deschanel, and 217 for M. Henri Brisson, Radical Republican and former Premier.

Frederick Clark Withers, one of the most famous architects in the United States, died yesterday at his Yonkers home. He was born in England 73 years ago, and came to this country in 1833.

Ada Lemmon, 24 years old, committed suicide in a hotel on Park avenue, New York, yesterday, by shooting herself with a revolver. The young woman lived on West 316th street with her widowed mother and her brother.

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Provincial News.

NANAIMO.
It continues snowing throughout yesterday, making the present depth from 24 to 26 inches.

The Labor party on Saturday night endorsed the new daily newspaper to be issued at the end of the present month. Superintendent James V. Mack, of the C. P. R. Telegraph Company, Vancouver, has been asked to keep the telegraph office open after 9 p.m. He was asked to keep it open later. Mr. Wilson asked the board of trade to send him an official request, and he would take the matter up with the Montreal authorities.

VANCOUVER.
There was another heavy fall of snow last night, and it is now two and a half feet on the level. Lee's carriage house, Westminster avenue, collapsed beneath the weight of snow. One huck, almost new, was smashed to pieces. Others were damaged. Other roofs are reported to have caved in.

John Scutito, who committed suicide on Friday, was buried yesterday morning in unconsecrated ground.

The charge of burglary against Rex has fallen through. Westminster has claimed him on a charge of robbing a man for \$300.

J. C. Nixon, for the third time, wins the Tacoma bankers' cup for 10 highest scoring birds at the Vancouver poultry show.

WOMEN WHO LIKE TO WORRY.

A Popular Novelist Explains Her Views.
It is true that men have their anxieties, but the women have all the worries, says John Strange Winter, author of *Bootsie's Baby*. Look at the palms of an average husband and wife. How different they are. His is deeply scored by half a dozen leading lines—his lines of life, heart and head are deeply marked. So, perhaps, are those of health, brilliancy and fate. But as a rule that is all. Then glance at the palm of his wife. You will find in all probability five or six crossed in every direction, a network of horrid little lines indicating worry in every shape and form. I have even seen this in the hand of a husband who was despondent, pessimistic and gloomy, while his wife was brilliantly buoyant and cheery.

The portion of women—I mean of women in general—is a life made up mostly of small things, small cares, small troubles, small disappointments, small troubles and inferior pains. Even when she attains to the topmost summit of fame she must carry with her that burden which has, by all accounts, been hers since the expulsion from Paradise, for no amount of glory can ever set woman free from her portion—the burden of continual, unceasing worry.

But, in justice to the men, I must confess that some women like worry, or, if they do not actually like worry, they do like to "lose the show" all the time. They love manipulating the teapot, they love the command of the carving knife. I once stayed a few days with a rich woman of my acquaintance—one who had largely helped to build the fortunes of the house. Her extraordinary dominance in household matters was such that even with a man and a maid waiting at table, she stood up in her place, and after chopping up the leg of mutton with a vigor that was absolutely appalling to the person accustomed to do things in the usual way, she filled each plate from the various vegetable dishes (making one room serve for all) while the man and the maid looked helplessly on, trying in

THE INTELLIGENCE OF FISH.

An hour later, says Arthur Henry, in Frank Leslie's Popular Monthly, we were standing by one of the glass tanks watching the hundreds of little fish, a inch long and half as wide, darting about the rocks covered with a beautiful green sea-weed, like a growth of tender shrubbery. They were "stout minnows," brilliant with all the lines of purple and blue, with now and then a flash of salmon as they turned swiftly in the light.

"Watch them closely," said Professor Dalgren, "and you will notice that there are five of them on guard over five different localities. Each one of these is a male protecting a nest concealed in the region where he swims."

At once the spectacle became intelligible to me. It was no longer a senseless, playful dashing about of fish, glowing only for their flashing and glowing tints. One of them was guarding the pebbles on the bottom, in one corner. He was the only watchman in that section of the tank, and the most incessant activity was necessary. He was not given a moment's pause.

Hundreds of his fellows hovering over and around him were constantly slipping into his domain. As he darted with open mouth at one side, or whisk out of a clump of weeds, at a little distance, and begin at once to nose among the pebbles, in search of eggs. Instantly, the guard was upon them and routing them out. He would shoot off again to disperse those descending.

In another section, the other four guards were similarly at work, but the task was easier for them as their nests were close together, and they worked in unison. Each of these had but one side from which attack could come. The other sides were protected by the operations of his companions. Every moment of the twenty-four hours, night and day, without an instant's rest or let up, these guards are at their defence. The moment the females of a harem lay their eggs, the male takes charge and drives even the mothers away; which indicates that they might devour their own eggs. A guard has never been known to violate his nest nor to disturb another's. They trust each other implicitly. One guard never attacks another, even though they often collide in their pursuit of interlopers and over-reach into each other's territory. These fish know each other as individuals. If a group of twenty marauders swoop into the preserves at once, and the guards are dashing in all directions among them, slipping to right and to left, moving too swiftly for the eye to follow, they never mistake an ally for an enemy.

The charges that members of the Tammany Hall and New York officials have been collecting "blood money" from gambling houses and other disreputable places of the city, was officially denied by a Tammany committee of five. The committee also repudiated the charge that the money was collected from the gamblers and divided with Michael Croker and other members of the Tammany organization.

BUDDHISM IN CHINA.

The circumstances under which the religion of Buddha was introduced from India to China are matter of history; and unless we mean to doubt everything in Eastern history for which we have not the evidence of actual eye witnesses, the introduction into China of Buddhism, reached China at a much earlier time. A Buddhist missionary is mentioned in the Chinese annals as early as 217 B.C., and about the year 120 B.C. a Chinese general, after defeating some barbarous tribes in the north of China, brought back among his trophies a golden statue of Buddha. But it was not till the year 65 A.D. that the Emperor Ming gave practical effect to his devotion to Buddha and his doctrines by recognizing his religion as one of the religions of his large empire. It would seem most extraordinary if the ruler of a large empire in which there existed already two state religions should, without being dissatisfied with his own religion, have suddenly asked the teachers of a foreign religion to set the place of his country, and there, under the protection of the government, to teach their own religion, the doctrine of Buddha. The Chinese idea of religion was evidently very different from their own. Religion was to them giving good advice, improving the manners of the people, and they seem to have thought that for such a purpose they could never have enough teachers and preachers. Legend may no doubt have embellished the events that actually took place. No wonder that visions seen by the Emperor in a dream were introduced; but even plain, what certainly seems a most extraordinary though recent event in the history of the world, the introduction of the Buddhist religion into India and the rest of Central Asia. Max Mueller in the Nineteenth Century.

RUSSIA AND INDIA.

Supposing Russia prepared to seize Herat or threaten Afghanistan, what would be her position? What is the aspect of a Russian invasion of India? What are the great difficulties Russia would have to face in her march toward either the Hindu Kush or Solomon range of mountains, which latter place or position would command all the passes in the Northwest?
The first would be the transport of her army, which would necessarily be great. Lord Roberts experienced great difficulties with supplies for his 15,000 men during his famous march from Kabul to Candahar, hardly any food for man or beast being procurable, the resources of that part of the country being exhausted.
Russia's difficulty of maintaining an army of ten times that size would be great in either that city or Kabul, whose inhabitants are half starved. The requirement of a Russian army, according to Col. H. Russell, is for 150,000 men at least 1,000,000 tons, and it is unlikely that any general would enter on an Indian invasion, defended by British and native troops, with less than three months' supplies. Skobeleff had two and a half months for use against the Turkmans, and we had six months in the Afghan war. A three months' supply would mean 1,000,000 tons to carry, of which something like 500,000 tons would be required, equal to the cargo of forty large steamers. If she could get all these animals, how would they be fed among the mountains and fruitless deserts which intervene between Afghanistan and British India?
Russia has no intention of invading India at present; she is too much occu-

THE MONSTER COCKROACH.

The blatta Orientalis is about three times as large as an English "black beetle," and is well known to sailors in the tropics as one of the many pests of ships. This tropical or Eastern cockroach has been transported to the "Zoo," the eggs being carried there in packing cases containing reptiles and beasts from warm countries, and has found a congenial climate in the reptile house. All cockroaches, Oriental or otherwise, are very fond of water, having, like most other beetles and vagrants, an unquenchable thirst. As the foreign cockroach flies by night, when it looks like an enormous water beetle, it has been able to occupy an ideal home, an island, full of caves and surrounded not only with water but by abundance of food. The island is a big log in the centre of the steamer-creosote pond. "The log" is full of splits and crevices, in which these monster cockroaches live, and from which they keep a bright lookout for the bits of soaked bread, bun, apple, and other eatables which people who think that cockroaches are like rats, and will nibble bread, drop into the muzzles of the sleeping sailors. When a large piece of bread floats up against the log the cockroaches make up a salvage party, and, dragging it to their main cave below, make a communal feast. Numbers are caught and used as food for the insect-eating lizards, so they are to some extent a useful importation. The Spectator.

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